

Heber Public Utility District
Minutes of the Regular BOD Meeting
Board of Directors
April 15, 2010
6:00 pm

1) **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting of the Board of Director's of the Heber Public Utility District was held at the District's meeting room and called to order @ 6:00 pm by President Richard Silva.

2) **ROLL CALL:**

Members present at roll call: Director Sergio Escobedo, Martha Soto, Diahna Garcia-Ruiz and Director Martin Nolasco. Also present were General Manager John Jordan, Bookkeeper Raquel R. Carrillo and General Counsel Steve Walker.

3) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Richard Silva.

4) **PUBLIC PRESENTATION:**

This was mentioned at end of meeting but was placed as Public Presentation.

Brad Poiriez asked General Manager if he could talk about his trip to China. General Manager informed the Board briefly of how his trip was and the interest that the investors had in doing business in the Valley. Brad Poiriez mentioned that the trip was at no cost to HPUD, the expense was used with grant money and the Heber Community Foundation would be paying it back. Mr. Poiriez also mentioned if anyone knew of families that were displaced because of the 7.2 earthquake that took place on April 04, 2010. Mr. Poiriez mentioned that the HCF was willing to help families in need of help and they can contact Jesus or himself for information.

5) **CONSENT AGENDA:** *Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed and placed under New Business at the request of any Board Member or member of the Public.*

A. Approval of Minutes: March 18, 2010.

B. Treasurers Report for March 2010.

C. Authorize payment to The Holt Group in the amount of \$2,152.00 for the Heber Public Utility District – Water Treatment Plant Expansion. Raw Water Pipeline Construction Management Services. (THG Proj. No. 744.023CM)

D. Authorize payment to The Holt Group in the amount of \$468.00 for the Heber Public Utility District – Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion, Funding Assistance. (THG Proj. No. 744.034E)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Director Nolasco, seconded by Director Soto and approved by a vote of 5/0.

6) **REPORTS:**

A. Operations Report for February 2010. Informational Only.

B. President and Directors Comments. Director Nolasco asked General Manager if HPUD could donate tables for the purpose of the food distribution, it was mentioned to Director Nolasco that he could distribute the food under the shed at the Old Fire station. Director Nolasco also mentioned that if the May 2010 meeting could be moved to the 27th of the month, since he will

not be able to attend the original meeting. Members of the Board were going to check their agendas and let General Manager know. Director Garcia-Ruiz briefly informed the Board how great the Valley Chess team did in a tournament held in Irvine, CA; teams included Heber, Southwest and Central Union. Director Garcia-Ruiz also mentioned regarding the minutes of March 18, 2010 it was noted that she had mentioned the Solar training at the Quechan Casino, Director Garcia-Ruiz stated that it was Director Soto who had given that information to the Board. Let it reflect in the minutes of the change.

- C. General Manager Report. Brief information that General Manager discussed was provided on the Board Members package.

7) **OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)**

No items were discussed at present time.

8) **NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)**

- A. Public Hearing on Water and Wastewater Rate Increase. 1st Reading and Adoption.

President Silva opened the Public Hearing on Water and Wastewater Rate increase @ 6:19 pm, Public Hearing was closed at 6:20 pm by President Silva.

- 1. Ordinance 2010-2 Water.

Motion to waive 1st Reading and Adopt Ordinance 2010-2 Water, was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Nolasco and approved by order of roll call:

Ayes: M. Nolasco, S. Escobedo, M. Soto, D. Garcia-Ruiz and R. Silva

- 2. Ordinance 2010-3 Wastewater.

Motion to waive 1st Reading and Adopt Ordinance 2010-3 Wastewater, was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Nolasco and approved by order of roll call:

Ayes: M. Nolasco, S. Escobedo, M. Soto, D. Garcia-Ruiz and R. Silva

- B. Public Hearing on Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade.
- C. Public Hearing on Water Treatment Plant Upgrade.

9) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. Board of Supervisors meets every Tuesday @ 8:30 am 940 W. Main St., El Centro.
- B. ACWA 2010 Spring Conference. May 4-7, 2010 in Monterey, CA.
- C. CSDA 2010 Annual Conference. Sept. 20-23, 2010 in Indian Wells, CA.
- D. ACWA 2010 Fall Conference. Nov. 30 - Dec. 3, 2010 in Indian Wells, CA.

10) **CLOSE SESSION:** None at present time.

11) **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 pm was made by Director Soto, seconded by Director Escobedo and approved by a vote of 5/0.